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**RE: STB Docket Number AB-303 (Sub-No. 28X) Wisconsin Central LTD. ---  
Abandonment Exemption-- In Ashland County, WI- Participation in Section  
106 Process**

Dear Mr. Brady:

This letter is in response to the letter you sent to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources on December 14, 2006, asking certain entities if they would like to participate in the Section 106 process as a consulting party for this proceeding. The primary purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Wisconsin Board of Commissioners of Public Lands does want to participate in this process as a consulting party under 36 CFR 800.3(f)(3).

We look forward to working with you and other participants to identify and work toward resolution of the issues under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

We are providing a copy of this letter to the persons on the service list in this docket.

Please contact my deputy, Tom German, at (608) 267-2233 if you have questions concerning these issues.

Sincerely,

Tia Nelson  
Executive Secretary

cc: Tom German - BCPL  
Scott Hassett, Wisconsin DNR  
Mary Schlaefel - Wisconsin DNR  
Michael Cain - Wisconsin DNR  
Tom Dosch - Wisconsin DOJ  
Robert Hunter - Wisconsin DOJ  
Sherman Banker - Wisconsin State Historical Society

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Case No.: AB-303 (Sub-No. 28X)  
Case Name: Wisconsin Central Ltd. -- Abandonment Exemption In -- Ashland County, WI

STATE OF WISCONSIN       )  
                                      ) ss.  
COUNTY OF DANE         )

Vicki M. Halverson, being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says that: she is not a party to the above-entitled action; she is employed by the State of Wisconsin, Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, in the capacity of Office Manager.

On the 22nd day of January, 2007, she served one copy of the notice to participate in STB Docket Number AB-303 (Sub-No. 28X) Wisconsin Central Ltd. – Abandonment Exemption – In Ashland County, WI, upon each of the following at his/her respective last known address:

Michael J. Barron, Jr.  
CN Railroad  
17641 S. Ashland Avenue  
Homewood, IL 60430

Michael J. Barron, Jr.  
Fletcher & Sippel LLC  
29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 920  
Chicago, IL 60606-2832

Wisconsin Department Of Transportation  
4802 Sheboygan Avenue  
Madison, WI 53707-7910

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816 State Street  
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77 West Jackson Boulevard  
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810 W Maple Street - Northern Region Headquarters  
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601 Main Street West  
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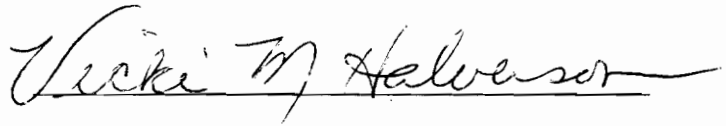
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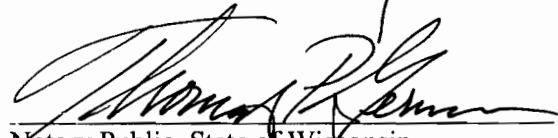
John Spangberg  
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2501 Golf Course Road  
Ashland, WI 54806

by mail in the following manner:

She properly mailed a true and correct copy of the aforesaid document, addressed as stated above, by first-class mail, postage prepaid, but without any request to the postal officers for the return thereof in case of non-delivery to the person addressed.



Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2007.



Notary Public, State of Wisconsin  
My Commission is permanent.